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SENATE BILL 1862 By Cooper J

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, relative to motor vehicle registration.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-101, is amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:
 - (c) Application for registration shall be made, in the manner prescribed by the commissioner on forms provided or approved by the department, to the county clerk of the county of the owner's residence or, if a commercial vehicle, as defined in § 55-4-105(e)(2), to the county clerk of:
 - (1) The owner's principal place of business within the state;
 - (2) The corporate owner's county of incorporation; or
 - (3) Any other county in which the owner or corporate owner maintains an office or place of business.

The office of county clerk may make reasonable inquiry into an owner including, but not limited to, review of driver records for the purpose of establishing an owner's residence or address, before issuing a certificate of registration or a tab, sticker or other device as a prerequisite to payment of wheel or road taxes. Upon request of the office of the

county clerk, the department shall provide a current list of the names, driver license numbers and addresses of drivers from the requesting county. A nonresident may apply directly to the department for registration. Any applicant for registration under any allowance or requirement for the apportionment of the fee shall within the discretion of the commissioner, apply directly to the division for the registration.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-105, is amended by deleting subsection (f) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(f) The office of county clerk may make reasonable inquiry into an owner including, but not limited to, review of driver records for the purpose of establishing an owner's residence or address, before issuing a certificate of registration or a tab, sticker or other device as a prerequisite to payment of wheel or road taxes. Upon request of the office of the county clerk, the department shall provide a current list of the names, driver license numbers and addresses of drivers from the requesting county.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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